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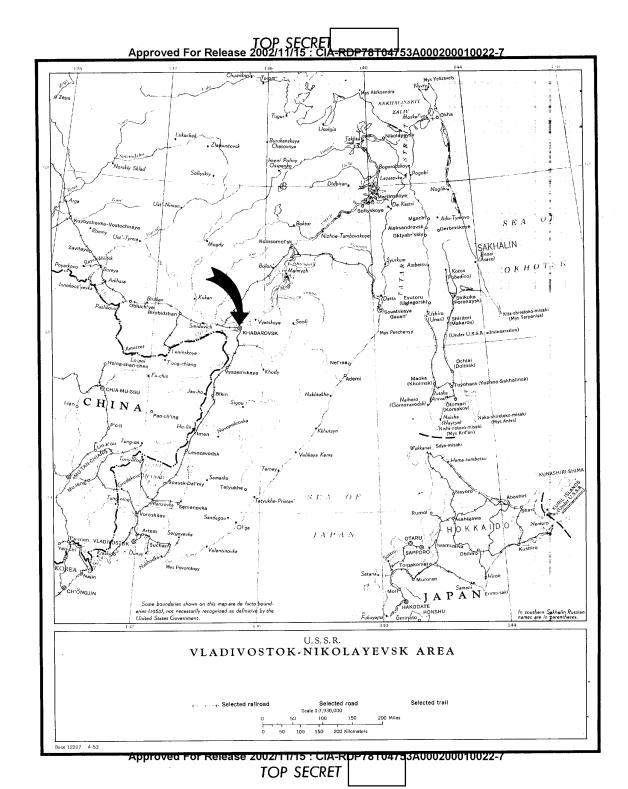
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Khabarovsk, the largest Soviet city east of Lake Baykal, is an important communication, administration, military, and industrial center and was covered on photography. The city is situated on the right bank of the Amur River, immediately north of its confluence with the Ussuri. It lies 769 kilometers north of Vladivostok, and 40 kilometers northeast of the Manchurian border.

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The Trans-Siberian Railroad crosses the navigable Amur River approximately four miles northwest of the Khabarovsk passenger station on a single-track bridge 7,000 feet long. The bridge consists of 18 steel through truss spans, each approximately 350 feet long, six concrete and masonry arches 100 feet long, and one deck-type approach span 100 feet long. The reported single-track, inactive railroad tunnel, approximately four miles long, under the river just north of the bridge site is verified by this photography. The above structures do not show on the accompanying photographs.

Rail facilities in the Khabarovsk area, which are under the administration of the Far East Railroad System, also include the Khabarovsk Railroad Station and Yards No. I and the Khabarovsk Railroad Yards and Shops No. II. The classification yard, which has only one hump track, appears to be concerned mainly with the classification of east-bound freight. Information concerning rail traffic, trains, and cuts of cars observed in these two yards was reported in HTA/JM-12/58. Rail facilities in these yards are identified on the accompanying photographs and described in the following key to annotations.

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KEY TO ANNOTATIONS

Khabarovsk Railroad Station and Yards, No. I

- 1. Station yard, 12-14 tracks wide; maximum length 3,300 feet, effective length 2,000 feet. This yard includes 4 tracks for passenger service and 2-4 running tracks. The remaining tracks are for freight service.
- 2. Five freight warehouses, 85 by 25 feet, 120 by 25 feet, 155 by 25 feet, 180 by 25 feet, and 285 by 25 feet. All are rail served on one side.
- 3. Personnel building, 95 by 45 feet.
- 4. Pedestrian walkway, 620 feet long, serving two passenger platforms.
- 5. Passenger station, 450 by 60 feet, two stories high.
- 6. Freight office, 130 by 60 feet.

Khabarovsk Railroad Yards and Shops, No. II.

- 1. Westbound bypass track.
- 2. Turning-wye, controlling length 200 feet.
- 3. Coal storage, reserve supply, 1,900 by 200 feet.
- 4. Servicing area, 2,000 by 250 feet. Coaling and watering facilities not discernible.
- 5. Receiving yard, 6-8 tracks wide, maximum length 4,900 feet, effective length 4,000 feet.
- 6. Reserve locomotive storage area, fenced, 740 feet long, and three tracks wide.
- 7. Four steam locomotive repair sheds: 210 by 95 feet, with three through tracks; 300 by 125 feet, with four tracks entering and two connecting shops; 180 by 75 feet, with three tracks entering; and 180 by 80 feet with three tracks entering.
- 8. Three warehouses, each 220 by 75 feet, rail-served by separate spurs.

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- 9. Abandoned turntable, 95 feet in diameter.
- 10. Hump track, retarders, and control tower.
- 11. Pedestrian walkway, 290 feet long.
- 12. Holding yard for westbound freight, 6-7 tracks wide including bypass track, maximum length 3,900 feet, effective length 3,200.
- 13. Classification yard, 22-24 tracks wide, maximum length 4,300 feet, effective length 2,600 feet.
- 14. Holding yard for eastbound freight, 6-7 tracks wide, maximum length 4,000 feet, effective length, 3,600 feet.
- 15. Car repair and servicing area: car shed 210 by 80 feet with three through tracks; one probable forge; several shops and servicing buildings.
- 16. Pedestrian walkway, 770 feet long.
- 17. Passenger station, 220 by 60 feet.
- 18. Forwarding yard, 6 tracks wide, maximum length 4,000 feet, effective length 3,000 feet.
- 19. Eastbound bypasss track.
- Railroad tank car maintenance and repair plant. Consists of one main shop building 180 by 60 feet and several associated buildings.

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